

EDUCATION

Higher education and K-12 face critical budget cuts.

The Chronicle for Higher Education says Nevada is facing some of the most serious budgetary challenges in the nation while simultaneously trying to improve its universities and handle a growing number of students who want a college education.

Nevada leads the nation in high school drop out rates. And for those that do graduate, how prepared they are remains questionable. About a third of high school graduates go to college unprepared and, for example, take remedial English.

NEWS 3 – focus on education included the June creation of Anchor mom, and educational surveys that were operational during July – September.

NEWS 3 / Channel 3 held its' annual Back to School fair over a period of three weekends in August at three local malls throughout southern Nevada.

The Clark County School Board could approve a contract with Dwight Jones, formally making him the successor for retiring Superintendent Walt Rulffes and entrusting him with the power to shape the education of nearly 310,000 students in the nation's fifth-largest district. The board voted 6-1 on Sept. 29 to offer Jones the job.